Land Grants.

Q.—291. Sri A. V. NARASIMHA REDDY (Bangalore South).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the principle that is followed in awarding the grant of Government land to individuals;

(*b*) whether they would grant lands only to those that live in the respective villages where that land is situate;

(*c*) the extent to which this grant of land would be made for each individual and the mutts;

(*d*) the number of acres that have been given from the year 1947 to 1952 February to the religious institutions in the State;

(*e*) the names of such institutions, the number of acres awarded to each institution (Districtwar information may kindly be furnished)?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) Usually lands are being granted to landless and insufficient holders of land, preference, however, being given to Depressed Class applicants.

(*b*) Preference is being given to such cases, if any.

(*c*) Reasonable extent roughly. An extent of five acres of dry land and two acres of wet land is usually being granted to an individual. There is no limit in the case of mutts.

(*d*) Information is not readily available, as no separate accounts are maintained regarding grants made to religious institutions.

(*e*) Information is not readily available and the collection of the information will involve labour, expenditure and loss of time incommensurate with the result to be achieved.

Grant of land to the landless men of the Scheduled Castes.

Q.—316. Sri M. CHIKKALINGIAH (Malavalli — Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many members of the Scheduled Castes ar elandless; (talukwar information may be given in the State);

(*b*) the extent of Government cultivable land both banjar and fallow available for distribution among the landless in the State; (talukwar information may be given);

(*c*) whether they intend to take suitable and speedy measures to distribute the latter among the farmers?

A.—Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue and Public Works).—

(*a*) The labour and expense involved in collecting information is not commensurate with the result to be achieved.

(*b*) The period for which information is required is not furnished.

(*c*) Twenty per cent of the land has been ordered to be reserved for grant to scheduled castes.

Disposal of Darkhast Petitions from 1950-51.

Q.—330. Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Tumkur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of darkhasts or petitions for grant of land received during the years 1950-51, 1951-52 and during the current year;

(*b*) the number rejected and the number still pending with reference to each year;

(*c*) the number of grants of land of less than five acres in extent made in each year;

(*d*) the names and addresses of persons to whom grants of land exceeding five acres in extent have been made in each year and the price paid in each case;